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Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 written line 1, before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 after written line 4, after the title, as follows:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/000218, filed January 14, 2004 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the priority of German application No. 10301967.7, filed January 20, 2003, both of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 1 after written line 4, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 after written line 6, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 3 written lines 29-30, as follows:

The object is achieved by the claims a method for traffic restriction in a packet-oriented network in accordance with claim 1 or claim 2.

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 10 after written line 11, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

The sole figure shows a network in accordance with the invention.--

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In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 10 after written line 11, after the newly added paragraph, as follows:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the paragraph at page 13 after written line 31, as follows:

The invention is also related to a marginal node comprising means for executing a method for restricting traffic in a packet-oriented network with a plurality of links, in which

- for a group of data packets of a flow to be transmitted over the network an authorization check relating to a link (L) is conducted, in which case
- the group of data packets is to enter into the network at an ingress node (w),
- the authorization check is conducted by means of a limit value (ILB(L,w)) for the entire traffic which enters at the ingress node (w) and is routed via the link (L), and
- the transmission of the group of data packets is not authorized if the authorization of the transmission would lead to traffic on the link (L) exceeding the limit value (ILB(L,w)).